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Self-Expanding Stent And Stent Delivery System For Treatment Of Vascular Disease

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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 9, 2004 for (3) month(s) from February 9, 2005 to May 9, 2005. A Response responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/CRD5035USCIP1/HWC in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

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